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La Peña Cultural Center

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(press ext. 4 for program info.)
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info@lapena.org www.lapena.org

La Tienda Box Office

FOR ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY
Thur. - Sat. 1 - 6 pm
510.849.2568 ext. 20
or www.lapena.org

Café Valparaíso at La Peña

Now Open on Sundays from 1pm-9:30pm
Wed. – Sat. 5:30 pm
NEW phone/fax 510-841-3800

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Two Month Calendar
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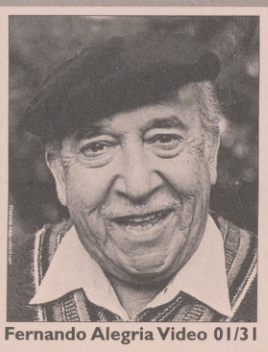


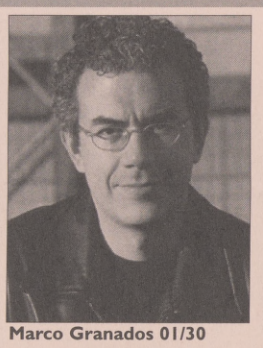
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Naked Barbies 01/24

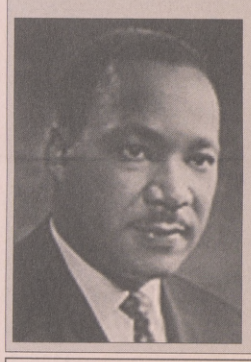

Fernando Alegria Video 01/31


Marco Granados 01/30


Keith Terry's Slammin 01/09 — Irene Young


Snake Trio 01/30

Honor Dr. King's Dream and work for peace and social justice



"Returning violence for violence multiplies violence, adding deeper darkness to a night already devoid of stars."
– Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Learn to play djembe with Master Drummer Mohamed Diaby

Mohamed Diaby began playing the djembe at age seven. Later he played with the AFRICAN DJOLE under Foda Yulla, and performed with Guinea's national ballet companies LES BALLET AFRICAINS and LES MERVEILLES DE GUINEA. Diaby has been teaching and performing in the U.S. for seven years now and brings with him a deep understanding of West African drum & dance. Starting on Sun., January 4, in the community room from 12:30- 2pm. $12.00/session For more info., please call **510-213-0922**

THURSDAY | **FRIDAY** | **SATURDAY**

1 CAFE VALPARAISO CLOSED | **2** CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN | **3** CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN

La Peña Cultural Center will be closed these days


Montuno Groove 01/10

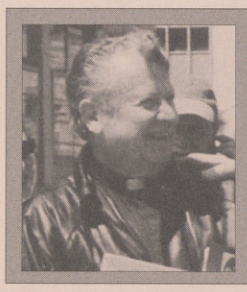

Omeyocan 01/16

SUNDAY | **WEDNESDAY**

4 CAFE RUMBA 3:30PM
CAFE VALPARISO OPEN FOR LUNCH ON SUNDAYS @ 1PM

Atención Estudiantes!
Wanna do your part for Cultural Activism for Social Justice? Become a La Peña **volunteer** or **intern** today! Volunteer at our programs twice a month and get into all other programs free. Internships for school credit can also be arranged. Call 510-849-2568 x12 or email eric@lapena.org

7 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN | **8** CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN



Hasta Siempre Compañero Father Bill ODonnell tireless fighter for justice and freedom Dec. 8, 2003

9 SLAMMIN at La Peña

SLAMMIN is an all-body band that combines a cappella singing with beat boxing and body music. Always unplugged & unleashed, they integrate and elevate the capacity for the body to amaze us in the most musical of ways. Featuring Bryan Dyer, Steve Hogan, Keith Terry, Kenny Washington, Destani Wolf. SLAMMIN is a project of Crosspulse. For more information contact slammin@crosspulse.com or 510-559-9797.
8pm$13 adv. $15dr.

10 Music Together 10:30am

Montuno Groove Dance
An eleven-piece orchestra comprised of mostly women, Montuno Groove is headed by veterans Tami Ellis (trumpet), and Gloria Amaral (vocals). Montuno Groove combines Latin Jazz, Puerto Rican & Cuban Salsa and Son, adding their own flavor to cover tunes by changing arrangements, adding harmonies, and incredible energy. Watch out, people can't keep still.
9:30pm $10

11 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN FROM 1PM ON SUNDAYS

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La Peña needs a
-professional stage lighting instruments
-small portable 4-6 channel sound system with speakers
-Macintosh G3 or above
-Laser Printer w/Ethernet Capabilities
Please contact Paul Chin at 849-2568 ext. 17. Gracias!

14 LATIN JAZZ RECITAL | **15** HAPPY B' DAY DR. M.L. KING!

Wednesday, January14
La Peña Class Recital
with the Latin Jazz Ensemble directed by **Josh Jones**
7:30pm $8
A benefit for La Peña



16 DANCE

OMEYOCAN
Urban Fusion
Omeyocan combines sounds from the motherland Africa, the Caribbean, North America, and South America creating music for dancing that is both ancient and contemporary.
9pm $10

17 Gerry Tenney 10:30am

La Peña & Youth Movement Records Present
Hip Hop Forever!
Featuring Performances by the best local crews, MC Battle, Dance Contest, Prizes & More!
Doors open @ 8pm $7
For more info call 510.435.5112
www.youthmovementrecords.org

18 CAFE RUMBA 3:30PM

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21 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN | **22** CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN

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23 COLLECTIVE SOUL

Microphone Mayhem
Underground Hip-Hop Showcase and Emcee Battle. Witness performances by upcoming hip-hop groups in Northern California.
9pm $10 general

24 EarthCapades Environmental Vaudeville • 10:30AM

NAKED BARBIES
The popular East Bay club band returns to La Peña for the third time. Original eclectic rock and roll, provocative story songs, and creative covers, performed with lots of talent and conviction. Singer Patty Spiglanin is one of the area's best; come check out a too-well kept secret.
8pm $10

25 READING

The Lives Behind the Law
Jean Stewart, Robert Guter, Lee Williams, and Marsha Saxton read excerpts from **Voices from the Edge; Narratives about the Americans with Disabilities Act** (Oxford University Press), introduced by editor Ruth O'Brien. Book publication party (potluck) follows. Come celebrate! ASL interpreted. No scents please. Call 510-243-9910
3:30pm $5*

28 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN | **29** CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN

Buy Fair-Trade Organic Coffee & Support La Peña!

La Peña has partnered with Thanksgiving Coffee to offer the community high-quality organic coffee purchased at a fair price from worker-owned Central American coffee cooperatives. For every bag of coffee you buy from www.thanksgivingcoffee.com, $2.25 will be donated to La Peña. Be sure to visit the "Non-Profit Program" page of their website and select La Peña from the list of non-profit organizations. Call 510/849-2568 x12 for more info.

30 VENEZUELAN JAZZ

Flautas Internacionales with The Snake Trio & special guests
The Snake Trio is: **Dona Viscuso**, (flute), **Jackie Rago** (cuatro) and **Saul Sierra** (bass). The Trio is joined by guest flautists, **Elena Pinderhughes** and Venezuelan virtuoso, **Marco Granado**, on tour from New York. Plus a special appearance by master Venezuelan guitarist **Aquiles Baez.**
8:30pm $12adv. $14dr.

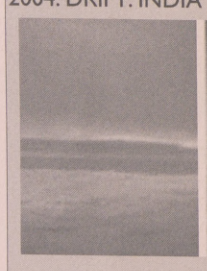
31 Film

The Western Institute for Social Research (WISR) present the final cut of the film:
Viva Chile M...!
A Tribute to the Life and Work of Fernando Alegría.
A documentary with an insightful look into the life of one of the most influential figures from Chile and a key figure in the advancement of Latino culture in the US.
4:30pm $14
Proceeds will go to WISR, a multicultural academic institution for community-involved adults

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En Las Paredes/La Peña Art Exhibits January / February 2004

Lobby: **Jason Engelund's DRIFT: INDIA** Jan 6 - February 22, 2004. DRIFT: INDIA brings documentary photographic montages that activate the transcendent. Shot on location throughout southern India, Jason displays subtle and captivating photographic collisions of spiritual icons, aerial and night time photography. Visit Jason's online galleries at http://sfflamenco.com/jasonengelund.html



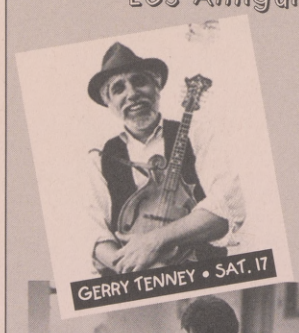


Cafe: **Marie-Jose Durquet's Photos of Puerto Rico**. Jan 1 - Feb. 29. Marie-Jose will be exhibiting color photographs taken in Puerto Rico's Vieques and Culebra. Between 1996 and 2001. Also B&W of Puerto Rico's rainforest.

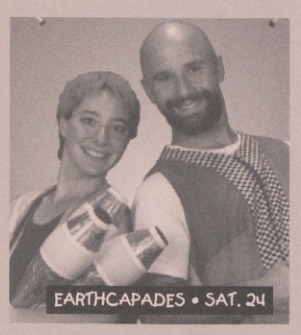
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Los Amiguitos de La Peña
Great Saturday morning children's programs
10:30am $4 adults $3 childrens.


GERRY TENNEY • SAT. 17

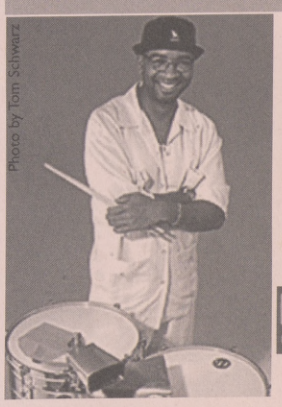

MUSIC TOGETHER • SAT. 10


EARTHCAPADES • SAT. 24

Cafe Valparaiso open during kids programs

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Feb. 27 & 28

De Aqui P'Alla Con Clave

A new work directed by Jesus Diaz

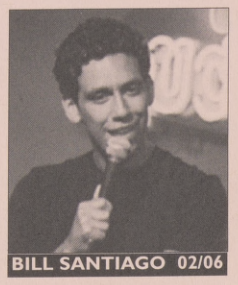
Two evenings of Cuban folklore,
Latin jazz & timba dance music with

Jesus Diaz y Su QBA

& many special guests!

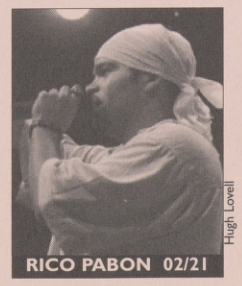
(see calendar box for list of artists)

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LA FAMILIA 02/21

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BIKE FILM FESTIVAL 02/08

Los Amiguitos de La Peña









Our incredible Saturday morning children's programs

10:30am $4 adults $3 childrens. Family discount of $10 for family of 3 or more. What a deal!

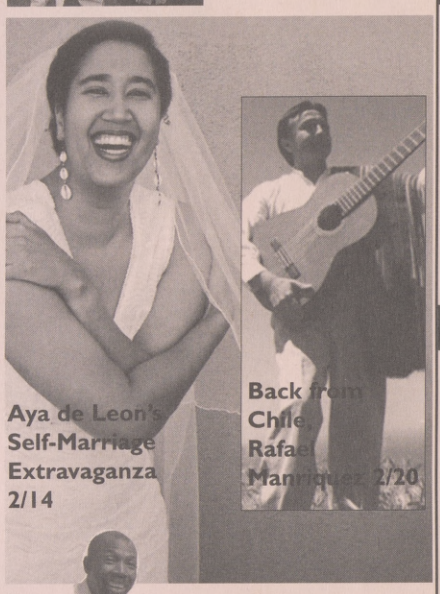
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Asheba

Sat. Feb. 21
Gary Lapow

Sat. Feb.28
Ingrid Noyes'
Rosie & the Railroaders

Cafe Valparaiso open ffor breakfast


Aya de Leon's Self-Marriage Extravaganza 2/14

Back from Chile, Rafael Manriquez 2/20


Lalo Izquierdo & Marina Lavalle 02/07

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY

1 DOMINGO DE RUMBA

Café Rumba
Community participatory event

Sunday Rumba at La Peña is a place to hear Rumba, Afro-Cuban percussion with vocals and dance, in a relaxed setting. The rumba is an open jam session for those who want to play, sing or dance.

3:30pm Free (Cafe Lobby)
Cafe is open for lunch at 1pm.

8 BIKE FILM FEST

8th Annual Bike Film Fest
A FUNdraiser for Bicycle Friendly Berkeley Coaltion (BFBC). Come join fellow pedalers, pedestrians, and other wheeled wonders in celebrating bicycle and human powered movies. Silent Auction, Movies (shorts, feature length, Bikollage), & Music.

4-9pm $10-$20 sliding scale*
no one turned away for lack of funds
Free valet bike parking

15 DOMINGO DE RUMBA

Café Rumba
Community participatory event

There are three basic types of rumba in Cuba: yambu is a slower, simpler style; the guaguanco, a moderate to fast style where the rhythm can be more complex and the columbia, the fastest style danced by solo males who perform to demonstrate their strength, agility, and sense of humor.

3:30pm Free (Cafe Lobby)

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29 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN

CALLING ALL INTERIOR DESIGNERS!
La Peña plans to begin making capital improvements in January. If you have interior design skills, we would for love you to volunteer your time in helping us create plans to beautify our building. Call Paul Chin @ 849/2568 x17 for more info.

4 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN

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CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO
OPEN FROM 5:30PM

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6 LATINO COMEDY

Bill Santiago's *Spanglish 101*
Total immersion comedic excursion into Latino USA. As part of the development process of this show, Bill invites all audience members, Latino & Latino curious, after the show to share their favorite Spanglish words, anecdotes about growing up Latino, living in Latino USA or interacting with Latino culture, & any other thoughts or observations the subject matter may inspire.

8pm $10

7 Derique • 10:30am

De Rompe y Raja, a cultural association devoted to the preservation of Afro-Peruvian music and dance is honored to present together after more than 20 years Peru Negro's founding lead singer **Marina Lavalle** who'll be presenting her most traditional Afro-Peruvian repertory such as *festejos*, *landos*, *zamacueca* and *panalivios* and master choreographer and percussionist **Lalo Izquierdo**

8:30pm $15

11 CAFE POETRY

Cafe Poetry and spoken word featured readers followed by open poetry mike. Hosted by **Kira Allen.**

7:30pm donation

12 BENEFIT

Benefit Concert for Dennis Kucinich
Come celebrate the Kucinich campaign for peace, universal health care, & the Bill of Rights with Oakland's **Gerry Tenney**, Ithaca's **Will Fudeman**, with original acoustic music from several coasts, and Berkeley's **Betsy Rose**, songs of struggle and peace. On Abe Lincoln's birthday (the last member of the House to be elected President), join us in song and raise spirits & money to help Kucinich win the primary & the White House.

7:30pm $15 (415) 927-2004 x80*

13 BENEFIT

La Peña & Youth Together Resistance Present

Hip Hop & Art for Change
Hip Hop & art silent auctions by the community for the community. Benefit *Youth Together*, a non-profit dedicated to empowering youth of color. Get a taste of UC Berkeley's own singer **David Barba**, & dance to the sounds of **DJ Phatrick** from UCB's Students for Hip Hop. Stay tuned for more to come.

9pm $10 adults $7 students*

14 Asheba • 10:30am

Love Fest 2004
Aya de Leon hosts her 9th Annual Valentines Day celebration in spoken word & music, with Meliza Bañales, Shawn Taylor, James Kass, Corina Peila, Kim Cook. Vocals by Noñameko & Elaine Chao. Door prizes! goodies! Admission includes hip hop/soul/world dance party!

Two shows! 7pm & 9:30pm
$10 in advance $12 at the door
(Mass self-marriage extravaganza at 12:30pm See below)

18 CAFE POETRY

Hosted by Paradise.
Open mic to follow. 7:30pm

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19 BOOK RELEASE

¡Cincuentañera!

Aurora Levins Morales & Friends celebrate her 50th birthday, new book, and 28 years of collaborations. Avotcja, Aya de Leon, Carlos Baron, Luisah Teish, Luz Guerra, Pat Wynn, Rico Pabon and many more. Details at www. historica.us.

7:30pm $7-$21*

20 CONCERT

Rafael Manriquez & Voz e Vento in Concert
Back to the Bay Area after a three month national tour around his native Chile, singer songwriter & guitarist virtuoso **Rafael Manríquez** will perform a selection of traditional & contemporary songs from Latin America including originals compositions. He will be joined by **Voz e Vento**, a local five-piece brazilian jazz & funk band.

8pm $10adv. $12dr.

21 Gary Lapow • 10:30am

DANCE

Two Bay Area groups team up to bring you
Cuban son with funk y sabor and Puerto Rican Hip Hop with a little old school salsa

La Familia
&
Project Bridge
(formerly Prophets of Rage)

8:30pm $10

25 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN

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Volunteer Opportunities. Learn while helping a non-profit Cultural Center. For 28 years, La Peña has relied on volunteers to keep us going. We need volunteers to help staff our programs, do grassroots publicity, participate in fundraising activities and much more. If you have special skills to offer or special interests, please let us know. Volunteers play a vital role in keeping our costs down and get exposed to many types of cultural, political, and artistic productions. Volunteer twice in a month and get into all other programs free! For volunteer opportunities, call Volunteer Coordinator Eric Romann @ 510/849-2568 x12.

27 CON CLAVE FRIDAY& SATURDAY

28 Ingrid Noyes • 10:30am

De Aqui P'Alla Con Clave:
A New Work directed by Jesus Diaz

Two full length evenings of Cuban Folklore, Latin Jazz and Timba dance music with **Jesus Diaz y Su QBA** and special guests!

Featuring **Jesus Diaz**, **Carlos Aldama**, **Sandy Perez**, **Susan Arenas**, **Jose Francisco Barroso**, **Raul Pineda** (of Chucho Valdes Quartet), **Gustavo Ramirez** (formerly of NG la Banda), **Rigoberto Lopez** (formerly played with Panchito Alonso and Celia Cruz), **Fito Reinoso**, and **Isidro Valor.**

$16adv $20dr 8:30pm (Shows different each night!)
Conversation with Artists at 7:30pm on Feb. 28
Seating limited for concert portion,
dance floor open for Jesus Diaz y Su QBA! and Dj Carlitos

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NEW CLASS OPPORTUNITY! AFRO-CUBAN YOUTH ENSEMBLE

March 1 - June 7 Mondays 6 - 8pm Free
Directed by John Calloway

Concepts of ensemble playing for popular Cuban music. Topics: the role of each instrument, rhythmic concepts in Afro-Cuban music, forms & structures of traditional Cuban music & application of Afro-Cuban music to other styles. Open to young people ages 10 - 18 who currently play an instrument or sing. Experience in Afro-Cuban music is not required. Call (510) 849-2568 x16 to register & arrange audition. Registration required.

WORKSHOP

The Beloved Self: A self-love Workshop and Mass Self-Marriage Extravaganza

Saturday, February 14, 2004 - 12:30-6pm

Women: are you ready to promise to love, honor, and cherish yourselves? **Aya de Leon** married herself in 1996. Now it's your turn to walk down the aisle, write and make you vows, and celebrate! This self-marriage will be a joyful, quirky, campy, and spiritual day to delight in the most profound relationship we will ever have with ourselves. Start looking for your dress now! For more info, go to www.ayadeleon.com or email marryyourself@yahoo.com. and Mass Self-Marriage Extravaganza Saturday, February 14, 2004 - 12:30-6pm

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Celebrate Black History Month

"America needs to understand Islam, because this is the one religion that erases from its society the race problem."

"You're not supposed to be so blind with patriotism that you can't face reality. Wrong is wrong, no matter who says it."

-Malcolm X

Music from Around the World

The Dune, Moroccan, Algerian & Tunisian music; **Pachasiku**, Andean music; **The Brass Menangerie**, Serbian, Greece, Macedonia and Bulagarian music. Saturday, January 24, 04. 8pm. **The International House** at UC Berkeley a benefit for the **Middle East Children's Alliance**

Join La Peña and Make a Difference!

Yes, I want to support La Peña by joining the Song of Unity Membership!

If you value our contribution to the social and political life in the Bay Area, please consider making a contribution.

$500 *Padrino/Madrina* – receive an **Annual Pass,** which gets you free admission to all La Peña events

$250 *Victor Jara* – receive **4 Free Tickets to any La Peña event**

$100 *Paul Robeson* – receive **2 Free Tickets to any La Peña event**

$50 *Malvina Reynolds* – receive a **1 Free Ticket to any La Peña event**

$35 *Compañero/Compañera* – You invest in La Peña and receive the **calendar**, newsletter, and mailings (only $3 per month)

$25 *Activista* – Student, fixed income, low income membership with **calendar**, newsletter, and mailings (only $2 per month)

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